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Washington, DC 20515

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October 15, 2009

The Honorable Julius Genachowski
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

We write to express both our hopes and concerns related to current and upcoming Commission proceedings focused on the deployment and use of broadband networks.

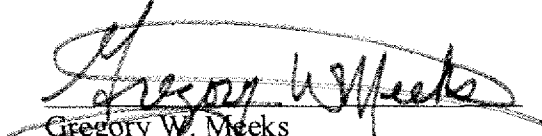
We applaud the Commission's effort to gather information about broadband and its recognition of the significant progress achieved to date, progress that is a direct result of policies that have encouraged competition and private investment and relied on the exercise of regulatory restraint. A decade ago, broadband was a nascent service, and only one percent of U.S. households connected to the Internet through broadband lines; today by contrast, roughly two-thirds of Americans connect through high-speed connections that are available to ninety-five percent of households. While we have further to go as a nation in extending the benefits of broadband to all, it is our strong belief that continued progress in expanding the reach and capabilities of broadband networks will require the Commission to reiterate, and not repudiate, its historic commitment to competition, private investment and a restrained regulatory approach.

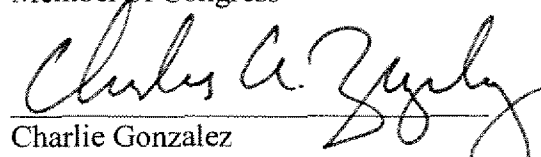
As the FCC embarks on its much anticipated rulemaking addressing the subject of "net neutrality," we therefore urge the Commission to carefully consider the full range of potential consequences that government action may have on network investment. We are confident that an objective review of the facts will reveal the critical role that competition and private investment have played -- and of necessity will continue to play -- in building robust broadband networks that are safe, secure and open. In light of the growth and innovation in new applications that the current regime has enabled, as compared to the limited evidence demonstrating any tangible harm, we would urge you to avoid tentative conclusions which favor government regulation.


Like you, we believe in a transparent, data-driven process and stand ready to work with you on measures that will spur adoption and expand the use of broadband networks. But we remain suspicious of conclusions based on slogans rather than substance and of policies that restrict and inhibit the very innovation and growth that we all seek to achieve.


Thank you for this opportunity to share our views.


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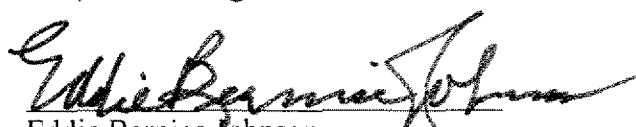

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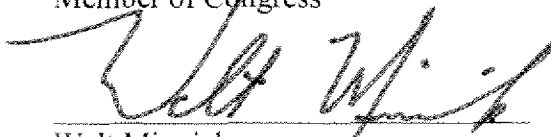

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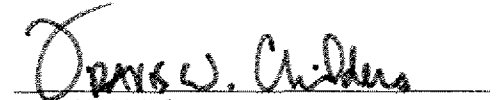

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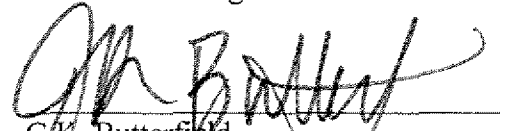

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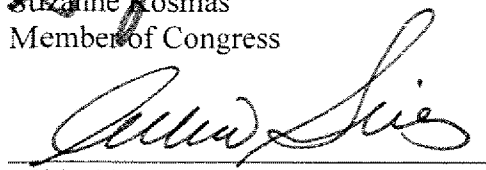

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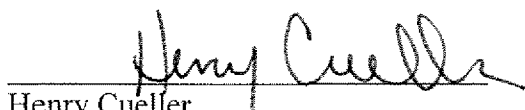

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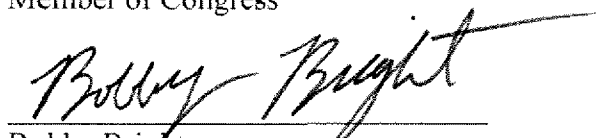

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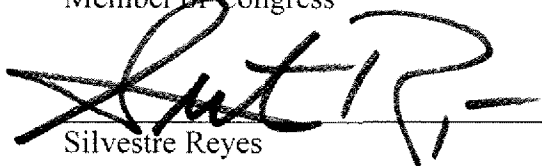

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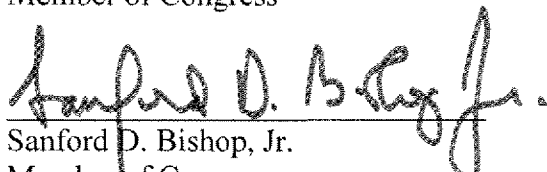

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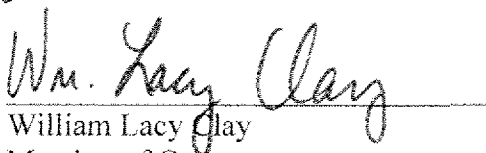

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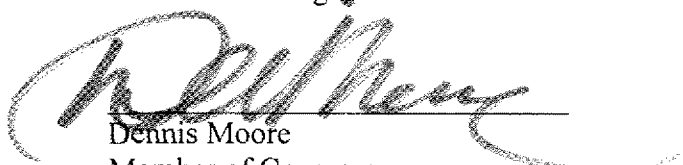

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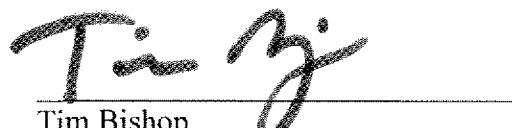

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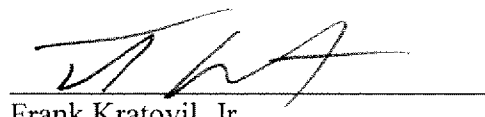

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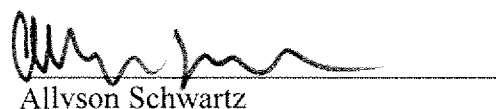

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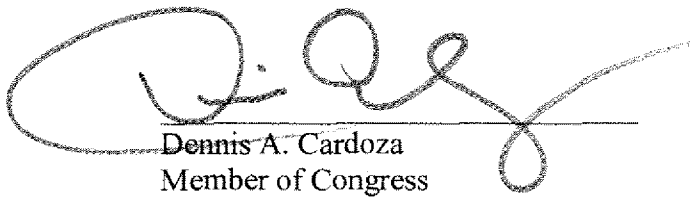

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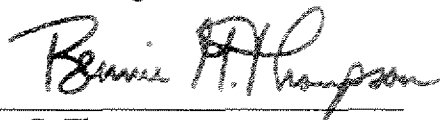

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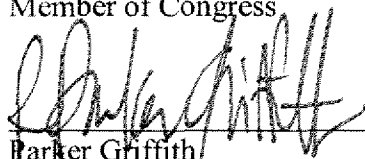
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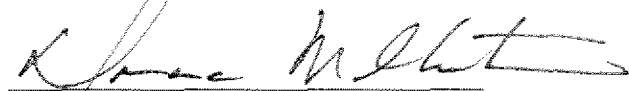
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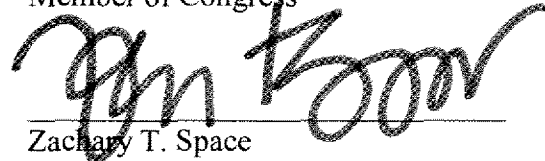
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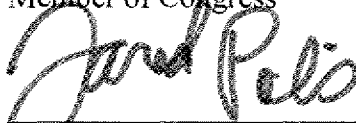
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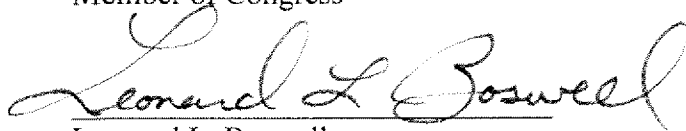
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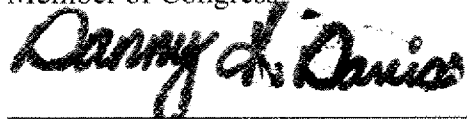
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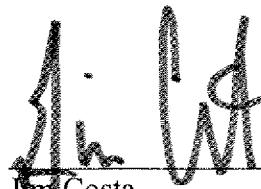
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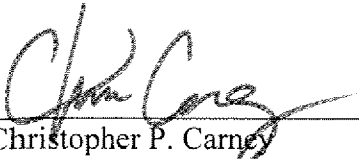
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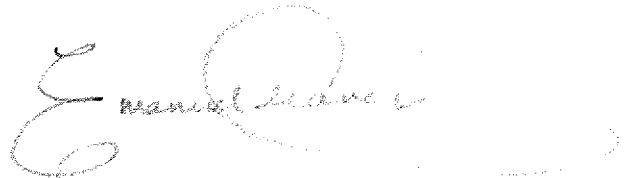
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March 3, 2010

The Honorable Mike Arcuri
U.S. House of Representatives
127 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Arcuri:

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330 Cannon House Office Building
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U.S. House of Representatives
1419 Longworth House Office Building
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U.S. House of Representatives
1114 Longworth House Office Building
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The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
U.S. House of Representatives
2433 Rayburn House Office Building
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U.S. House of Representatives
2307 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives
501 Cannon House Office Building
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U.S. House of Representatives
116 Cannon House Office Building
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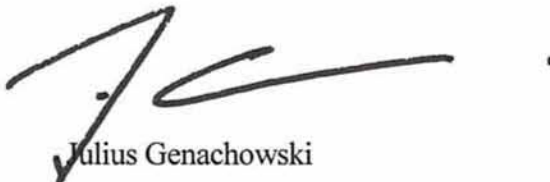
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U.S. House of Representatives
1727 Longworth House Office Building
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U.S. House of Representatives
1517 Longworth House Office Building
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U.S. House of Representatives
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U.S. House of Representatives
2342 Rayburn House Office Building
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Dear Congressman Meeks:

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March 3, 2010

The Honorable Michael E. McMahon
U.S. House of Representatives
323 Cannon House Office Building
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March 3, 2010

The Honorable Dan Maffei
U.S. House of Representatives
1630 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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March 3, 2010

The Honorable Rick Larsen
U.S. House of Representatives
108 Cannon House Office Building
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The Honorable Frank M. Kratovil, Jr.
U.S. House of Representatives
314 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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